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**FIXATION OF NUCLEOTIDE
DERIVATIVES TO SOLID CARRIER**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

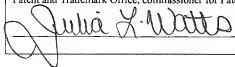
This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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